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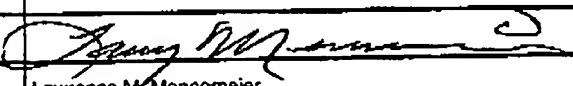
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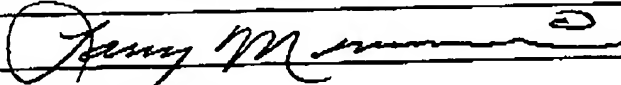
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In response to the Office Action mailed September 6, 2006, prior to consideration on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.